## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Yoshitaka FUJITA

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For:

MULTIPLEXING METHOD AND APPARATUS, DEMULTIPLEXING METHOD AND APPARATUS, AND ACCESS NETWORK SYSTEM

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In conjunction with the associated Request for Continued Examination in the above application, please enter the following preliminary amendments prior to examination:

Amendments to the Claims are shown begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.